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Main Features

Total dwelling approvals monthly change (trend)

Queensland	↑	3.5%
Australia	↑	0.6%

Total dwelling approvals annual change (trend)

Queensland	↑	21.1%
Australia	↑	2.0%

Commentary

Dwelling Approvals

- The trend estimate for total dwelling units approved in Queensland in February 2007 was 3,682 dwelling units, an increase of 3.5% from 3,557 in January 2007. In comparison, national trend estimates for total dwelling approvals rose 0.6% in February 2007 to 12,553. Queensland had the highest growth of all states and territories in February 2007.
- The trend estimate for the number of private sector house approvals in Queensland remained steady in February 2007, with a total of 2,379 houses approved. In comparison, Australia's trend estimate for the number of private sector house approvals decreased in February 2007 by 1.4% to 8,318 approvals.
- In February 2007, trend total dwelling units approved in Queensland accounted for 29.3% of the Australia's total dwelling unit approvals. Private sector house approvals in Queensland accounted for 28.6% of Australia's private sector house approvals.
- The trend value of residential buildings approved in Queensland in February 2007 rose 1.8% to \$918.0 million, compared with an increase of 0.2% for Australia to \$3,252.4 million.
- In annual terms, the trend estimate for total dwelling units approved in Queensland in February 2007 was 21.1% higher than the February 2006 estimate. In comparison, total dwelling approvals in Australia increased 2.0% over the same period.

Non-residential building approvals

- The trend value of non-residential buildings approved in Queensland in February 2007 was \$552.2 million, an increase of 3.8% over the month. The value of non-residential buildings approved for Australia in February 2007 was \$2,308.8 million, up 2.4%.

Figure 1: Total dwelling units approved (trend), Australia and states and territories, Feb 2007

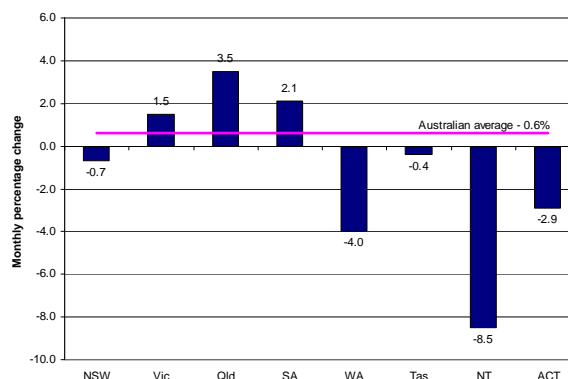


Figure 2: Total dwelling units approved (trend), monthly percentage change, Feb 2002 to Feb 2007

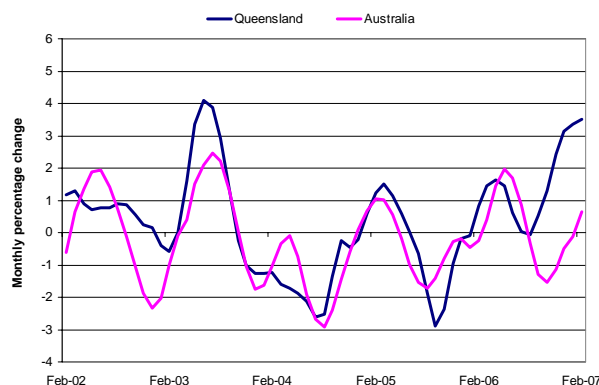


Figure 3: Total dwelling units approved (trend), Queensland, Feb 2002 to Feb 2007

